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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is it a fact, Sir, that no aided elementary school is allowed to be opened now, and may I know also whether under exceptional circumstances permission is given now?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Even now under exceptional circumstances permission is being given.

Wells

* 25 *Q.*—SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to dig more wells in the area around Tiruvalangadu?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : May I know the number of wells sunk around Tiruvalangadu?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I understand, Sir, that sanction has been accorded for sinking 45 wells during the year 1960–61.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : May I know, Sir, how many have actually been sunk?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Only orders have been issued.

Madras Land Ceilings Bill

* 26 *Q.*—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any complaint was received in April 1960 from a resident of Pagalmedu village, Pennalurpettai taluk, Chingleput district, about the orders issued by a Tahsildar of Tiruvallur taluk to forestall the Madras Land Ceilings Bill; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) & (*b*) In April 1960, a petition was received from Sri D. Gnanamurthi, ex-Karnam of Pagalmedu group, Tiruvallur taluk, Chingleput district, containing allegations against the Tahsildar, Tiruvallur. An enquiry was made and it was found that the allegations related to certain proceedings of the Tahsildar, dated 21st March 1960, ordering transfer of registry of certain lands in Kadirvedu village. The proceedings were found to be in order and the matter was, therefore, dropped.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : May I know, Sir, who conducted the enquiry?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It should be the Revenue Divisional Officer.

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DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, is it a fact that the Tahsildar himself against whom the complaint was made was the enquiring officer?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I thought the hon. Member referred to the enquiry about the transfer. If it is an enquiry about the Tahsildar, an officer above the Tahsildar only can enquire.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : I want to know who is the officer here—the Revenue Divisional Officer or the Tahsildar himself—who enquired into the complaint of the gentleman?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The complaint against the Tahsildar is enquired into by the superior officer and the complaint against the transfer of land was enquired into by the Tahsildar himself.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, I want to be specific. My information is that the Tahsildar himself wrote to the Revenue Divisional Officer saying that there is nothing against him, and the Revenue Divisional Officer seems to have simply come to the same conclusion as the Tahsildar. I want to know specifically whether the Revenue Divisional Officer conducted the enquiry or the Tahsildar himself did it. I would like the Hon. Minister to place a copy of the report on the table of the House.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The enquiry was by the Revenue Divisional Officer. I may go a step further and say that the Collector agreed with the Revenue Divisional Officer and dropped further action.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : May I ask, Sir, whether a copy of the report will be laid on the table of the House for the information of the public?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It is not usually placed on the table of the House. Sufficient information has already been given.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—DISCUSSION ON THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS—*cont.*

*** SRI A. K. THANGAVEL MUDALIAR :** தலைவர் அவர்களே, மேன்மை தங்கிய கவர்னர் அவர்களைப் பாராட்டுகிறேன். அவர்களுடைய உரையைப் பாராட்டுவதற்கில்லை. நமது நாட்டுக்கு மாட்சிமை தங்கிய பிரிட்டிஷ் ராணி அவர்களும், அவருடைய புருஷரும் தம்பதிகளாக வருவதில் மகிழ்ச்சி தெரிவித்துக் கொள்ளுகிறேன். நாம் காமன்வெல்த்தில் நாமாகப் போய் சேர்ந்திருப்பதாக உரையில் சொல்லியிருக்கிறது. நம் நாட்டில் பங்காளிகள் பாகம் பிரிக்கிறபோது எழுதுகிற ஒரு எழுத்தைப்